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UNCLAS. MARCH 7 (PASS TO VOA/ILA) PRESIDENT MOLINA'S ANNOUNCE-
MENT YESTERDAY AFTERNOON THAT EL SALVADOR WOULD RENOUNCE U.S.
MILITARY ASSISTANCE DUE TO "OPEN DISRESPECT TO OUR SOVEREIGNTY
AND SELF DETERMINATION" WAS BROADCAST LAST NIGHT AT 2100
ON ALL THREE COMMERCIAL TV STATIONS AND SEVERAL RADIO NETS.
THE ANNOUNCEMENT RECEIVED FRONT PAGE PLAY IN THIS MORNING'S
HIGH CIRCULATION NEWSPAPERS. LA PRENSA GRAFICA BANNERLINED
"U.S. MILITARY ASSISTANCE REJECTED" WHILE EL DIARIO DE HOY BANNER-
LINED "EL SALVADOR REJECTS ASSISTANCE." FRONT AND JUMP-
PAGE ITEMS STATE THIS DECISION WAS REACHED "AFTER THE PRES-
IDENT MET WITH THE HIGH COMMAND OF THE ARMED FORCES AND SENIOR
OFFICIALS OF THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN RELATIONS." PRESIDENT
MOLINA REFERRED TO THE MEETINGS OF THE "FRASER SUB-COMMITTEE
OF THE U.S. CONGRESS, WHICH HAD BEEN DEBATING FUTURE MILITARY
ASSISTANCE TO THIS COUNTRY, BASED UPON ACCUSATIONS OF ANOMALIES
IN THE FEBRUARY ELECTIONS AND HUMAN RIGHTS VIOLATIONS,"
AS THE BASIC REASON FOR HIS GOVERNMENT'S ACTION.

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THE SPANISH TEXT OF THE OFFICIAL COMMUNIQUE FOLLOWS:

"RENUNCIAR AL PROGRAMA DE AYUDA MILITAR QUE LOS ESTADOS EUNIDOS
DE NORTE AMERICA HA VENIDO PRESTANDO A EL SALVADOR DECIDIO
(EL MIERCOLES) EL SENOR PRESIDENTE DE LA REPUBLICA, CORONEL
ARTURO ARMANDO MOLINA, EN SESION DE URGENCIA QUE PARA TAL
PROPOSITO CONVOCO EL EJFE DEL EJECUTIVO (DICHO DIA) CON ASIST-

ENCIA DEL ALTO MANDO DE LA FUERZA ARMADA Y LOS TITULARES DE RELACIONES EXTERIORES.

"LA REUNION FUE CONVOCADA PARA TOMAR UNA ACTITUD OFICIAL POR PARTE DEL GOBIERNO SALVADORENO ANTE EL GOBIERNO DE LOS ESTADOS UNIDOS DE NORTE AMERICA, EN VISTA DE LA PROVISION PRESENTADA POR EL DEPARTAMENTO DE ESTADO NORTEAMERICANO, SEGUN LA CUAL LA ASISTENCIA MILITAR QUE LOS ESTADOS UNIDOS PRESTA A EL SALVADOR SERIA CONDICIONADA AL ANALISIS Y DICTAMEN QUE LA SUBCOMISION DE ASUNTOS INTERAMERICANOS DEL CONGRESO ESTADOUNIDENSE LLEVA A CABO CON RELACION AL RESPETO DE LOS DERECHOS HUMANOS EN NUESTRO PAIS.

"EN LA REUNION SE RESOLVIO QUE LA DIGNIDAD NACIONAL NO PUEDE TOLERAR LA SOLA IDEA DE QUE EL PRESTIGIO DE NUESTRO PAIS ESTE SIENDO OBJETO DE EXAMEN POR PARTE DE ORGANIZACION O DEPENDENCIA DE OTRA NACION WUE, EN FRANCO IRRESPETO A NUESTRA SOBERANAIA Y LIBRE DETERMINACION, HABLA DE CONSERVAR OR RETIRAR LA AYUDA MILITAR DE CONFORMIDAD AL DICTAMEN DE LA MENCIONADA SUBCOMISION DEL CONGRESO.

"SE INDICO QUE, INTERPRETANDO EL SENTIR DE LA CIUDADANIA SALVADOREANA, QUE A TRAVES DE LA HISTORIA NO HA TOLERADO LA INGERENCIA IRRESPETUOSA DE OTROS PAISES EN ASUNTOS QUE SON DE SU EXCULSIVA COMPETENCIA, EL SENOR PRESIDENTE MOLINA TOMO LA DECISION DE RENUNCIAR AL PROGRAMA DE ASISTENCIA MILITAR (MAP) QUE LOS ESTADOS UNIDOS DE NORTE AMERICA HAN VENIDO PROPORCIONANDO A EL SALVADOR.

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"EN TAL SENTIDO, EL PRESIDENTE MOLINA DIO INSTRUCCIONES AL SENOR MINISTRO DE RELACIONES EXTERIORES, INGENIERO MAURICIO BORGONOV POHL, PARA QUE A TRAVES DE LA EMBAJADA NORTEAMERICANA EN NUESTRO PAIS, TRANSMITA ESA DECISION AL GOBIERNO DE LOS ESTADOS UNIDOS DE NORTE AMERICA."

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